

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Joseph R. Byrum *et al.*

Appln. No.: 09/206,040

Filed: December 4, 1998

For: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other
Molecules Associated with Plants

Art Unit: 2833

Examiner: Scott D. Priebe

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RESPONSE

BOX AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the following claims: --

- Sub C1
- 1.[Twice Amended] [An] A [isolated] nucleic acid molecule isolated from other nucleic acid molecules and comprising SEQ ID No. 1 or its complement.
- 2.[Twice Amended] [An] A [isolated] nucleic acid molecule consisting of SEQ ID No. 1 or its complement.
- 3.[Twice Amended] [An] A [isolated] nucleic acid molecule isolated from other nucleic acid molecules and consisting essentially of SEQ ID No. 1 or its complement.

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 remain rejected. To facilitate prosecution, Applicants have amended pending claims 1 and 3 to recite that the nucleic acid molecule is isolated from other nucleic acid molecules. Support for this amendment can be found at page 68, lines 1-6. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendment to the claims be entered because it places them in better

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